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Re: Filing of Request to Cancel Examiner's Amendment and for Rejoinder under 37 CFR
1.141
U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/747,807
Our Ref: HIR.085

Dear Examiner:

Enclosed please find a Request to Cancel Examiner's Amendment and for Rejoinder
under 37 CFR 1.141, as we discussed in our teleconference on February 23, 2006.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,


Phillip E. Miller

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Enclosure

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of

Masahiro Shimada et al.

Serial No.: 10/747,807

Group Art Unit: 2822

Filing Date: December 30, 2003

Examiner: Roy Karl Potter

For: WIRING STRUCTURE FOR SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST TO CANCEL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT AND
FOR REJOINDER UNDER 37 CFR 1.141

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated January 13, 2006, including an Examiner's Amendment canceling claims 15-20, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner's Amendment be canceled and withdrawn, and that claims 15-20 be rejoined in the present Application.

Applicant notes that MPEP 821.04(b) provides that "*if applicant elects a claim(s) directed to a product which is subsequently found allowable, withdrawn process claims which depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of an allowable product claim will be considered for rejoinder*".

In the present case, claims 15-20 are method claims which require all the limitations of claim 1, an allowable structure claim. Further, Applicant notes that since claims 1-14 have been allowed over the prior art, claims 15-20 are also allowable over the prior art.

Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner's Amendment be canceled and withdrawn, and that the restriction requirement between claims 1-14 (directed to a structure) and claims 15-20 (directed to a method of making the structure) be withdrawn, and that claims

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15-20 be rejoined in the present Application, and that a supplemental Notice of Allowance be issued indicating the allowance of claims 15-20 in the present Application.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 1-20, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date: 3/29/06



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I hereby certify that the foregoing was filed by facsimile with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Examiner Roy Karl Potter, Group Art Unit # 2822 at fax number (571) 273-8300 this 29th day of March, 2006.



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